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FOR YOUR INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE FOLLOWING ARE EXCERPTS
FROM DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN'S PRESS BRIEFING JANUARY 14, 1975:

QUOTE: MR. ANDERSON: I WAS ASKED YESTERDAY ABOUT FOREIGN
MINISTER ALLON'S SCHEDULE, AND I CAN GIVE YOU A GOOD BIT OF
IT NOW.

THE FOREIGN MINISTER WILL BE ARRIVING LATER THIS AFTERNOON.
HE IS SCHEDULED TO MEET WITH SECRETARY KISSINGER TOMORROW
AFTERNOON AT THREE O'CLOCK. BECAUSE OF SCHEDULING PROBLEMS
TOMORROW, NAMELY, THE PRESIDENT'S PRESENTATION OF THE STATE
OF THE UNION MESSAGE TO CONGRESS, MINISTER ALLON'S TALKS
WILL CONTINUE ON INTO THURSDAY. HE WILL HAVE AN INFORMAL
LUNCHEON WHICH WILL BE HOSTED BY UNDER SECRETARY SISCO IN
THE BUILDING HERE ON THURSDAY, FOLLOWED BY A SECOND MEETING
WITH THE SECRETARY THAT AFTERNOON AT THREE O'CLOCK. HE WILL
ALSO BE MEETING WITH THE PRESIDENT ON THURSDAY. AS FOR THE
EXACT TIME, I WOULD LIKE TO SUGGEST THAT YOU CHECK WITH THE
WHITE HOUSE ON THAT.

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Q. WILL THE SECRETARY BE ATTENDING A DIFFERENT LUNCHEON
THAT AFTERNOON?

A. YES.

Q. IS THAT WHY HE CANNOT HOST THE FOREIGN MINISTER'S
LUNCHEON?

A. YES. THERE HAS BEEN A LONG-STANDING LUNCHEON THAT THE JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTER OHIRA IS GIVING, AND THE SECRETARY ACCEPTED THAT.

Q. I AM NOT SO SURE OF PROTOCOL -- IF IT IS A PROTOCOL QUESTION -- BUT YOU MEAN THE VISIT OF A FOREIGN MINISTER DOESN'T CALL FOR THE SECRETARY? HE GOES TO THE FINANCE MINISTER'S LUNCHEON?

A. WELL, I DON'T THINK, FRANKLY, YOU SHOULD READ ANYTHING WHATSOEVER SIGNIFICANT INTO THAT.

Q. I KNOW YOU RATHER WE DON'T.

A. I DON'T READ ANYTHING SIGNIFICANT INTO IT AT ALL.

Q. OHIRA IS ALSO PRESIDENT OF THE WHOLE GROUP OF FINANCE MINISTERS NOW.

A. YES. AND THE FINANCE MINISTER IS HERE IN CONNECTION WITH THESE IMF MEETINGS. I REALLY WOULDN'T ATTACH SIGNIFICANCE TO THAT.

Q. IS THE SECRETARY GOING TO THE AIRPORT TO MEET MR. ALLON THIS AFTERNOON?

A. NO, HE IS NOT.

Q. HAS HE GOT SOMETHING ELSE THAT IS KEEPING HIM AWAY?

A. WELL, YOU JUST LOOK AT HIS SCHEDULE. HE JUST CANNOT DO IT. AND AMBASSADOR CATTO IS GOING TO BE THERE, AND ROY ATHERTON IS GOING OUT.
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Q. IS THE MEETING WITH THE SECRETARY ON THURSDAY AFTERNOON SEPARATE FROM THE MEETING WITH THE PRESIDENT, OR WILL HE SIMPLY JOIN THE MEETING WITH THE PRESIDENT?

A. SEPARATE MEETING.

Q. HAS AMBASSADOR EILTS RETURNED WITH ANY SPECIFIC EGYPTIAN IDEAS AIMED AT A POSSIBLE SETTLEMENT WITH ISRAEL?

A. AMBASSADOR EILTS HAS BEEN ASKED TO RETURN BY THE SECRETARY ON CONSULTATIONS. HE ARRIVED LAST SUNDAY. I CANNOT DISCUSS WITH YOU OR ANSWER YOUR SPECIFIC QUESTION THAT YOU HAD. I DO NOT KNOW.

Q. THERE HAS BEEN ANOTHER WARNING OUT OF THE MIDDLE EAST THAT THE FUSE IS SHORT. THE TIME IS SHORT FOR A SETTLEMENT, AND WARNING OF DIRE CONSEQUENCES. DOES THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT HOLD THIS SAME FEAR THAT THERE MAY BE ANOTHER WAR IN THE VERY NEAR FUTURE?

A. I DO NOT BELIEVE THAT THAT IS OUR POSITION. THE SECRETARY ADDRESSED HIMSELF TO THAT IN HIS BUSINESS WEEK INTERVIEW. AND THERE IS NO QUESTION THAT WE ARE GOING TO DO EVERYTHING WE CAN TO KEEP THE PROCESS OF PEACE MOVING FORWARD. AND THE TALKS THAT THE SECRETARY WILL BE HAVING TOMORROW AND THURSDAY WILL BE PART OF THAT PROCESS. AND THERE IS NO QUESTION THAT THE MOMENTUM TOWARDS TRYING TO ARRIVE AT A PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT MUST BE KEPT GOING.

Q. ARE WE WORKING UNDER A PRESSURE THAT THERE MAY BE ANOTHER WAR UNLESS THAT MOMENTUM IS KEPT GOING?

A. I WOULD SAY THE ANSWER TO THAT IS NO, WE ARE NOT WORKING UNDER AN IMMEDIATE THREAT OF WAR PRESSURE, NO.

Q. HAS THERE BEEN ANY NEW REQUEST FROM IRAN FOR AUTHORITY TO TRANSFER MORE F-5 JETS TO JORDAN?

A. I SAW THIS REPORT TODAY. I WILL BE GLAD TO LOOK INTO UNCLASSIFIED

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IT. I AM UNAWARE OF IT.

Q. ARE THERE ANY REQUESTS FROM ANYBODY TO TRANSFER ANY U.S.-SUPPLIED EQUIPMENT TO ANY OF THE ARAB BELLIGERENTS?

A. THE ONLY ONE THAT I KNEW OF WAS THE ONE ON JORDAN THE OTHER DAY THAT WE ANNOUNCED. I AM UNAWARE OF ANY OTHERS, BUT IF THERE IS SOMETHING, I WILL TRY AND GET SOMETHING FOR YOU. END QUOTE. KISSINGER

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